THE THREE NEW MINISTERS WHO WILL REPRESENT HER ABROAD.

WU TING FANG WILL BE THE SUPERIOR OF HIS WHERE THEY COME FROM AND HOW PREDECESSORS IN WASHINGTON-WHY EARL,

LI DOESN'T LIKE AMERICAN GIRLS-A CHANCE FOR THE UNITED STATES IN RAILWAYS.

Peking, November 12. To-day the Chinese Government has taken a Lo Feng Loh, who will he remembered in New-York as the interand spokesman of Viceroy Li on his has been appointed Minister to Wu Ting Fang, the Tao tal who exchanged the Treaty of Shimonoseki at Che-Foo, has been appointed Minister to the United States, and Huang Tao tal, formerly at Shanghai, has been ap-Huang Tao tal, is not the England. Heretofore it has subject is so strong that it is useless to resist it. been the rule to appoint to these offices men who been the held high official rank in their own country as a for propagation, but simply to have them at a conexaminations, but who had no experience whatever in foreign affairs nor had scarcely seen a foreigner before their appointment. In some cases they were dered when known to have a positive hatred of charg Yin Huan, now a Minister of the Tsung is Tamen, was appointed to Washington, Just previous to his appointment he had been Tao tai at Chinanfu, in the Shantung Province, where a riot took tlace under the lead of the gentry and socialed literati against the American Presbyterian Mission. Chesier Holcombe, of the United States Legation, was sent down by Minister Young to bettle the case and secure damages for the mission aries, as well as to see them assured protection for the future. He had to deal with Chang Yin Huan, who treated him most discourteously and insulted the United States in the person of her representative by coarsely saying that the murder of President the United States was governed. Secretary Holcombe made such strong representations to Minister young of this insulting speech that the Tsing it Yamen, when informed, reluctantly removed the savey Tao tai from his post, but shortly after, to show their approval of his conduct, they appointed him Minister, to the country he had insulted. In Washington his eyes were opened, and to-day he is cane of the pro-foreign party in the Vamen, although not coursecous enough to press very much for reforms in the face of the opposition of the Older men, so that the total states is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely his work, aided by Li Hung, Sull, the appointment of Wu Ting Fang to the United States is largely Chang Yin Huan, now a Minister of the Tsung li United States is largely his work, aided by Lt Hung Chang, whose pupil Wu is.

Wu Ting Fang is a Cantonese by birth, about fifty years of age, of fine appearance, and speaks English fluently. He has resided in England, studied law and been admitted as a barrister at law to practice before the English court at Hong-Kong. He is a patriotic, progressive man, and his aphis country, although here he will be sorely

After the exchange of the treaty with Japan at Che-Foo he returned to Peking and assisted Viceroy Li Hung Chang in the preparation of the com-mercial treaty, which has just been ratified, until the Viceroy's departure for Moscow, when the treaty was handed over to Chang Yin Huan to fir sh. He was invaluable in this work, and so won the respect of both the Treaty Commissioners named above that they were glad to press for his appointment to his present mission. In addition to offices, he is at present one of the directors of the Imperial Chinese Railway, and in that offee has also shown considerable ability. He is a reat whist player and a good story-teller, and Vashington society will find him far superior in every way to the previous Ministers from this Lo Feng Loh would much rather go to Germany than elsewhere, as he anticipates many contracts will be given to Germans in the future that must necessarily go through his hands, and if there is one thing more than another that Lo deis to handle business. As Secretary of the Admiralty in Tien-Tsin during the war he made more money than reputation, and it is fair to infer that in his new place he will do the same. At the and, having a large knowledge of foreign affairs, he will be a vast improvement on his predecessor. He speaks fluently English, French and German. The Chinese so far have produced few great linguists, but Lo may fairly lay claim to being the greatest linguist his country has yet produced. He also is a good-looking man, and, although not as sociable as Wu Ting Fang, is still very good com-

Huang Tao tal, the new Minister to England, as Tao tal at Shanghai has seen a great deal of foreigners, and is reported as a man of great ability. His promotion has been unusually rapid. A few is appointed Minister to the most powerful country on the globe. China seems at last to real-

he is appointed Minister to the most powerful country on the globe. China seems at last to realize the importance of sending abroad as her representatives men who by education and experience in foreign affairs are fitted to advise sensibly upon important questions. Had she had such a representative at Scoul as either Wu or Lo, it is certain that the blunders of Yuen would have been avoided and the war win Japan averted.

Vicercy Li Hung Chang has had a large say in the appointment of these men, and, as the first fruits of his tour abroad, it is a very encouraging omen. Li continues to receive by each mail many requests for stamps, antographs, visiting cards, and even financial aid. To-day's mail brought him an appealing letter from a widow with six children, in England, soliciting aid for herself and little ones. Doubless His, Excellency finds need of all his spare funds at home, as the beggars of this city seem to be constantly on the increase. The cold weather will soon be on, and then many of these half-maked wretches will undoubtedly be frozen to death, as happens annually. Three years ago, one morning during the first week in January, 40 beggars were found frozen to death. Railroad talk has about died out at this place, but doubtless is lively enough at Shanghai, in the train of Sheng Tao-tal, the new Commissioner.

The present Tsang it Yamen includes Prince Kung, Prince Ching, Li Hung Tsao, Rung Lu, chang Yin Huan, Weng Tung Ho and Wu Tu Yen. Several of these men are also members of the Grand Council of Six, who daily see the emperor and advise him on all the memorials that come up from the provinces, as well as all criticisms of the censorate. Li Hung Tsao has recently had a stroke of paralysis and may soon drop off. As he is the most active of all the anti-foreign and anti-progressive element, the younger men are regrecting his stroke was not more severe. As it is, he is incapacitated for work, has obtained a month's sick eave, and may rever return to office, sheety law in the land as appointment as Com

his stroke was not more severe. As it is, he is incapacitated for work, has obtained a month's sick eare, and may never return to other, sheng India's appointment as Commissioner of Railroads with full power to contract, and also to report to the Emperor direct without going through either a censor or any provincial Governor, is a step in the right direction. Especially is this so, as Sheng is more favorable to Americans than to any other nationality. The competition for his favor will be close and bitter. The English, through their papers, are threatening the Chinese Government that it if does not give to English at least the Hon's share of the railroad contracts, England will not agree to an increase of the opium duty China is so anxious to obtain. So that although Sheng has promised an American syndicate it shall have every chance in the bidding, and the inside track withal, yet if the United States Government does not hastily take steps to back up our pioneers in this fertile field by seeing that Americans are not at least discriminated against, the pium may, after all, go to the English.

The news of McKinley's election created great loy in the American community here, the only exceptions being Colonel Decay and son who held office under the present Administration. Curlously enough, among the missionaries there is not a Removad, and this, too, in spile of the fact that they come from sill sections of the country and have come from home at many different periods during the last thirty years. Chester Hohombe, they was at one time Charge d'Affaires for the United States at this place, has recently been here United States at this place, has recently been here United States at this place, has recently been here that they come from home at many different periods during the last thirty years. Chester Hohombe, who was at one time Charge d'Affaires for the United States at this place, has recently been here this estates at this place, has recently been here that one one wants him. Charge d'Affaires for the thirty o

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Another paper of value to power users (read at the recent meeting of the Society of Mechanical Enther recent meeting of the Society of Mechanical Enther recent meeting of the Society of Mechanical Enther Priction Horse-Power in Factories. This the "Priction Horse-Power in Factories. This paper gives the results of tests made in sixteen different factories devoted to the manufacture of varifier in the total available horse-power and the relative lag the total available horse-power and the relative emounts required to drive the machines and shafting. The average conditions showed that the price centage of power to drive shafting was above to that in six cases it ran above 60 per cent, at one case was as high as 80 per cent, at one case was as high as 80 per cent, at one give exception which showed 14½ per cent, at one give exception which showed that the machinery was very compactly arranged, but otherwise the conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops. The conditions were the same as in other shops.

CHINA'S STEP IN ADVANCE. large proportion of power expended in the driving of extensive systems of shafting and to a consideration of the advantages to be derived by the use of electric motors in many cases.

SUMMER AND WINTER OYSTERS.

THEY ARE TREATED FOR THE

"The winter supply of oysters and the summer supply in this market," said an extensive oyster planter and wholesale dealer to a Tribune reporter a few days ago, "come from different sources. The oysters used here in summer come from Virginia, but they are first placed in temporary beds at Keyport, N. J. The transfer of Virginia oysters to the Keyport beds annually begins about April 1 and ends about June 1. These oysters spawn earlier than the Northern oysters, and are, therefore, considered more fit to eat in the months whose names are spelled without the letter R. As a matter of fact, the Northern oysters are at their best in May, and again become tine in August, but the popular superstition on the

venient distance from this city. They are brought to this market in sloops especially constructed for the purpose, but just before shipment they are placed in brackish water at the mouth of then known to have a positive hatred of This was notoriously the case when Huan, now a Minister of the Tsung li open their shells and absorb the water, which makes

clams in the entire country is estimated at from \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 "

"ROAD SKATES" FOR FAST TRAVEL.

AN ENGLISH DEVICE BY WHICH A SPEED OF SIXTEEN MILES AN HOUR CAN BE ATTAINED.

A new style of roller skate has come into vogue in England during the last few months. It is higher than the eld skaie, and runs on light metallic, rubber-tired wheels about five inches in diameter. The



like strap which encircles the leg below the knee. It ts thus possible to make this latter feature serve

tended for use, not merely on asphalt pavements and fact, it is known as the tisement, declare that "it only requires a little practice to enable any onwho has ever had on a

skate on the roads at any speed up to sixteen miles | than just within the principal entrance of any one same time he is a man of unquestionable ability. an hour." It is further announced that the show- of the large stores. You could stand at one end of

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substantially made of "old-time" bunting. From time to time, however, strips were torn off as souvenirs for the many persons who made earnest pleas for them. When Mr. McPherson died the original flag had been reduced to 46 by 18 feet. It was still too bulky to find room within the coffin, and it was spread over the lid of the coffin in Mr. Gill's home at Cockeysville. It was there that Mrs. Gill cut off a small strip, which she has preserved. She still has a remnant with which, she says, she could not be induced to part.

The flag was placed on top of Captain McPherson's coffin after it had been lowered into the grave at Greenmount. A bombshell which was thrown into Fort McHenry during the nombardment from a British ship, and which he secured, was also buried with him at his request. Mr. McPherson was a cantain in the regular army in the War of 1812-1814. He was born in Baltimore and for many years after the second war with England he kept the Mount Clare House, in southwest Baltimore, On every National holiday he festooned the front of his residence with the old flag. His chief delight on such occasions was, while occupying a comfortable seat, smoking his pipe, to gaze at the "immortal banner" and rectic war reminiscences. He refused many offers for the flag, and declined to permit it to be out of his possession for a single minute.

OVERWORKED.

"The cysters are not placed in the Keyport beds THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT HAS TOO MUCH TO DO.

People of every class and every disposition are seized every year with a kind of fever, which belongs only to the senson, of buying innumerable articles to present to each other on the day which has come to be celebrated in this fashion. It is the proper thing to say that this represents the traditional "Christmas spirit" of love and good-will. Such an idea is doubtless at the source of the custom, and is probably most apparent now in the patience and good humor which characterize the majority of the tired crowds of gift-seekers. But, on the other hand, the "Christmas spirit" has been a triffe faint of late in manifesting itself on some oceasions at which it was supposed to rule. not fair, moreover, to blame the spirit for this, for there is not a sliadow of doubt that it is overworked. To use a financial and consequently a modern American term, it has become too "extended" in its operations. It has been called upon to cover an unreasonable multitude of things. In its legitimate field it is about as good as ever; beyond that it is, as might be expected, thin, One has no difficulty in putting the proper spirit

into gifts for really loved friends and relatives vice of what may be called "duty presents." observer must be forgiven for the reflection that there would be fewer complications in the Christ-mas buying if no gifts were purchased except those which carry with them the spirit in its ful

wholly different from shopping at any other season of the year. People hurry along the streets and through the store aixles with "I am looking for Christmas presents" as plainly stamped upon individual as if he or she bore a label to that effect. There is a sort of electrical undercurrent of anxiety and purpose which every one feels, and by which, probably, he is able to recognize that the whole race of shoppers is inspired with one ides. It is one of the striking things about the Christmas shopping that it is epidemic in the fullest and widest sense. Many of the symptoms differ, according to the disposition of the person, but there is one which is, as the doctors say, forward fastening is a hook or ellp that engages "nearly always present." That is, the carrying of the sole of the skater's bundles. Everybody is lader down with parcels shoe; and the rear one ex- and boxes of every conceivable shape and size tends upward to a gaiter- Women are more or less used to making their way through the streets at any season with their hands and arms full of small purchases. In fact, they have an uncomfortable, "lost" feeling if they happen by any chance to have nothing to carry. But as a brace to the ankie. with men it is different. There the Christmas spirit The new skate is in- really proves its power. At what other time in th year would any self-respecting brother or husband consent to walk through the city burdened like wooden floors, but also for the proverbial packhorse? There may be, it is macadamized roads. In true, an ill-concealed expression of shame on his face, when the dappled-gray head of the rocking-"road skate." The manufacturers, in their adverthrough holes in the wrapping paper, but it mus be said that he carries off such unpleasantnesses with wonderful good-nature.

pair of skates to attain proficiency and be able to servation of the snoppers, during the last few days Indy attendant.

The road skate was brought to the attention of American dealers in goods for sporting and athletic purposes a year or so ago, and at that time it was considered probable that the manufacture of the article would be undertaken in this country. For some reason or other the scheme fell through. At some houses there has been some inquiry for these skates; but up to date the demand has not been sufficient to warrant the importation of the foreign-made skate. From The Chicago Times-liverald.

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A round home on the north side told me a characteristic story about Joseph Aefresson to other activities tory about Joseph Aefresson to other activities to present the control of r perhaps there may be something in the fact that their attention is greatly monopolized by the

toy books, "are you getting them for your young 'un'?"

"Well, say, I'd like to help you a bit with your Christmas, there's none o' mine anywhere around here, and if you don't mind take this along," and he held up a "soldier boy's outfit"—helmet, belt, sword, rifle and shoulder knots. The other man looked at the sailor, and smiled rood-humoredly as he saild. "Thank you—but my little one is a girl." Then the sailor moved away, but his spirit was not to be dampened by a little mishap, and those who watched him say that he cornered several children and bought presents for them, which were in some instances as inappropriate as the soldier boy outfit for a little girl. But he seemed to enjoy it, and when he walked out of the store alone, clutching the little parcel with which he had begun his purchases, he looked like a man well pleased with himself, and he probably told his shipmates that even a lone man in a strange land may have the Christmas pleasure which comes from giving to others.

"What was the row between Timmins and the Russian Count last night?"
"The Count got insuited because Timmins, in trying to give him an introduction, left out nine syllables of his name."

THE EMPIRE COMPANY.

SEASON.

TWO NEW OPERETTAS FOR THIS WEEK-NUMER-OUS CHANGES AMONG THE THEATRES The last of the New-York stock companies to

UNDER THE RED ROBE" TO OPEN THE

theatre for a long time by the desire of the manager to prolong the successful run of John Drew with "Rosemary." The company will reappear this week in the stage version of Stanley Wey-man's story "Under the Red Robe." This play may be taken as another straw showing the di-

rection of the wind toward the romantic drama and away from the plays of "earnest" problems and decidedly problematic carnestness that for a time so much engrossed the attention of this and some other companies. The book assures so much, before the play is seen.

It has, of course, been necessary, as it always is, to rearrange the scenes of the book to a considerable extent in making them into a play. The play begins, as the book does in Zaton's gaming house, and the reene which, in the book, takes place in the palace of Richelieu, is transferred the conference of the story is compensed into a little time and space, and then there is old Blake, Jerome Sykes, Miss Susanne Leonard, hither. The second act takes place at the Château

and sets out to meet her brother and her prospec tive husband at an inn where they are to stay. The landlord of this inn has just married a girl named Dorcas, and Lord Lambourne, hearing of her beauty, orders the landlord to bring her to the hall. Lady Honoria offers him her assistance, to avoid the possibility of danger, and exchanges her garments of a pedler boy for those of a woman, and goes to the hall as the landlord's wife. There she meets Lord Bauregard, who protects her from insult against Lord Lambourne, and falls in love with her him # if as she does with him, whereupon, in due course, comes the happy ending.

LILLIAN RUSSELL'S RETURN. SHE WILL BEVISIT THE SCENE OF FORMER

TRIUMPHS THIS WEEK. Miss Lillian Russell will come back this week to the Casino, where she has done so many of the best things that she has ever done at all. She will present herself again to the New-York public in a new operetta, called "An American Beauty." The book is the work of Hugh Morton, and the music has been composed by Gustave Kerker.

The usual accompaniments of rich and beautiful scenery and costumes are promised. The scene of the first act is the cliffs at Newport. The second passes in a circus tent, also in Newport. The third shows a moonlight view of Monte Carlo and the Mediterranean. The scenes are painted by Ernest Gros. D. Frank Dodge and Ernest Albert.



SCENE FROM "UNDER THE RED ROBE."

is the scene at the crossroads, which, as it is Miss Sadie Kirby and Miss Mabel Bouton. The prowritten in the book, indicates good dramatic possibilities. The courtyard of an inn on the way to Paris is shown, and the play ends in Richelleu's palace on the day when nobody but Gil de Berault

came to see him. There have been few changes in the Empire com-



J. E. DODSON.

sham has become the leading man, but he had sham has become the leading man, but he had acted with the company for some time, and had played various prominent parts, so that he will not appear infandiar at the head of the company. Miss Viola Allen is still the leading woman. I. E. Dodson will continue to that he leading character parts, and will accordingly appear in this play as Cerdinal Richelleu. W. H. Compton, Miss May Robson and Miss Ida Conquest are still among the members of the company.

THE PAULTONS OPERETTA. DORCAS" TO BE HEARD AT THE OLYMPIA

The authors of "Etminie" will come before the New-York public this week with an opereta which, though not absolutely new, is new to this city, "Doreas," by Edward and Harry Paulton, has been sung before the various cities of the country, and it will now be offered at the Olympia Theatre



FROM "DORCAS."

desire of one Lord Lambourne that his sister should be married to his friend, Lord Beauregard, Nat-urally, each of them desires to know something of the other, and the plan occurs to each of them of Mr. Mansfield has decided not to produce his trying to see the other in some other character than that of an accepted husband or wife. Lord Beauregard lays aside his title for the purpose of his introduction, and goes with Lord Lambourne to see his sister, whose name is Lady Honoria, as a person quite outside the House of Peers, called

NOTES OF THE WEEK.

Mr. Daly will make a vigorous effort to entertain the public this week. There will be a performance every evening, and there will be matiees on Morday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturay, "Much Ado About Nothing" will be played Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings and desday Friday and Saturday afternoons, "The sha" will be the bill on Monday Wednesday Friday evenings and Monday afternoon.

The works of Richard Wagner predominate in the bill for the Metropolitan Opera House this week, which is as follows: Monday, "Medistofele"; Wednesday, "Siegfried": Friday, urday afternoon, 'Singfried'; Saturday evening, 'Tannhimer' At the concert this evening the seloists will be Huberman, the boy violinist, Mme. Litviane, Mile Olitzka, M. Plangon and M. Las-

The Lyceum Theatre has found a popular bill in the combination of "The Late Mr. Castello" and "The Wife of Willoughby." They are likely to be continued for some time, though other plays will be ready for use when they are needed.

"Brian Boru" will continue its career at the Prendway Theatre for only a week more. Another operetta on an Irish subject will follow it, namely, "Shamus O'Brien," for which a company comes from London.

Miss May Irwin will return to the Bijou Theatre on Tuesday evening and will be seen and heard in a new farce called "Courted Into Court." She is



to play the part of Dotty Dimple, an actress. The usual accompaniments of dance and song may be expected. The prominent members of her company are the same as when she was last seen here.

William H. Crane's stay at the Fifth Avenue Theatre is limited to one week more. He will continue to play "A Fool of Fortune." The theatre will be occupied next week by the Holland Brothers, who will present "A Superfluous Husband" and a condensed version of "Colonel Carter of Cartersville."

At the Knickerbocker Theatre to-morrow night Reerbohm Tree will play "A Bunch of Violets, Mernonm ree to Tuesday and Friday even-ings and Friday afternoon. "The Dancing Girl" will be played on Wednesday evening and "Ham-let" on Thursday and Saturday evenings. Mr. Tree will be followed at the Knickerbocker on January 4 by John Hare.

The run of "Secret Service" at the Carrick Theplay will then be given in a few of the largest libe of the country, and after that will be taken to London. The 190th performance will be reached on January 11. atre is now announced to continue till March. The

Mile. Yvette Guilbert will begin her third week at Koster & Bial's music hall to-morrow night and will give her alternating French and English songs. Two new features of the bill this week will be the Iwo new features of the builthis week will be the Sisters Merrilees, and the Dunhams, in a horisontal bar act. Williams and Walker, Press Eldridge, the blograph. V. P. Wormwood's dogs and monkeys, and the Zedoras will be retained. A special New Year's matinee is announced.

new play "The First Violin" at the Garden The-atre in his present engagement, which will end with this week, but to leave it for his next visit to New-York. His repertory for the week will be this: Monday, "The Merchant of Venice"; Tuesday, "A Paristan Romance"; Wednesday, "King Richard III"; Thursday, "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde"; Friday afternoon, "The Merchant of

Venice": Friday evening, "Beau Brun urday afternoon, "The Scarlet Letter" evening, single acts from "A Parisian "Beau Brummell," "Dr. Jekyll," "Pri and "Richard III."

The Liliputians are to stay for one more week at the Star Theatre, and the opportunities to see them in "Merry Tramps" are becoming few.
Abundant mathrees are to be given this week, and
large audiences of children are expected.

The change of bill at Wallack's Theatre to-mor row night will bring "In Gay New-York" again into view. It will be substantially the same as when it was seen at the Casino last summer and will be presented by a company including Walter Jones, Lee Harrison, Dave Warfield and Miss Lucy Daly.

Tony Pastor offers a bill selected with the usual care for New Year's week. The entertainers announced are Willis P. Sweatnam, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Sidman, in "A Bit of Real Life" mons-Clerise Trio, vocalists and instrumentalists; Jerome and Bell, Miss Maud Raymond, seriocomie; John and Bertha Gleeson, dancers; Galla-gher and West, Miss Belle Hathaway and her troupe of dogs, monkeys and baboons; Edward and Louise Lorrett, Peters and Walters, Morrow and Ruthden, Sadie Hart, character change artist; Mel-rose and Elmer, and Tony Pastor.

The chief newcomer at the Olympia Music Hall this week will be Mile. Karina, a dancer of Spanish dances. Miss Louise Beaudet remains and Mr. Hammerstein has made an offer of \$1,000 for the best new song for her, to be sent in not later than January 3. Other entertainers this week will be the Newsboys' Quinter, the four Nelson Staters, acrobats; Orroco, Edward Latell, Haines and Pattingill and James Thornton.

At the Irving Place Theatre "The Spendthrift" will be repeated on the first three evenings of this week. On Thursday evening Mr. Courked will produce "Der Rabenvater." the play which was done in English here last season under the title of "His Absent Boy."

tale contained in "Superba" will be continued this week at the Grand Opera House, filling out the rest of its holiday time. The Christmas tree for the chil-dren is still in the lobby of the theatre, and it helps to make the matiness especially agreeable occasions.

Mr. Proctor will this week continue his efforts to provide the visitors to his Pleasure Palace with attractive holiday amusement. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew will present the comedictia "A Model Young Man". The Hanions continue their thrilling mid-Man." The Hanions continue their thrilling midair exploits and Swift and Chase provoke mirth. The pantomime The Morry-makers' will introduce Francols X. Zeitner, formerly the clown of "Fanciasma." Popular sofigs will be sing with pictorial effects by Mittnell and De Moss. Signor and Manchestell will give buriesque grand opera and among the other entertainers are the Nelson Trio. Thorne and Carleton, Kenno and Welch, William De Borquilhrist Sparrow, he clown jugger: Farker and Reardo and Agnes A. Miles, balladish. Among the special features for the Sunday concert are Lew Dockstader, Wood and Spenard, Will F. Denney and Brilly Carter, the banjoist.

There is a long holiday bill at Proctor's Theatre. Twenty-third-st, with a special programme for New Year's Day, beginning at 9:50 a. m. Lew Dockstader will tell jokes and Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Ellis will present "Mrs. Hogan's Music Teach Ellis will present "Mrs. Hogan's Music Teacher."
The Vassar quartet abbods in A Quiet Vocation": Rashel Walker will sing and the three Sisters
Vilone will produce me ody with pano and violins.
Alexandra Marters displays her skill as a sharpshooler and the Waterbury Frothers and Tenney do
a musical act. Others are Walton and Mayon, pantomimists; Charles G. Symour, mimic F. R. Lang,
Roberts and Allen, Vida Keene, the Foliette Quadrille dancers; Van and Vera, Marton and Fearl,
Forbes and Quinn and Derauda, club juggler, At
the Sunday concert there are Charles Wayne, the
Adair Twins, Thorne and Carleton, Jessie Millar,
the California Trio and others.

"The Two Little Vagrants" goes on for the present at the Academy of Music. It will be succeeded on January 25 by a new melodrama by Sutton Vane called "Straight from the Heart."

Charles H. Hoyt's "A Parlor Match" will be the attraction of the week at the Columbus Theatra.

A return of "The Sporting Duchess" to New-York is announced for this week at the Harlem Opera. House, In the company are Mrs. Agnes Booth, Miss Elita Proctor Ctis, Miss Cora Tanner, Miss Marion Abbott, Louis Massen, Harry Lacy, J. H. Stoddart, Junius Brutus Rooth, R. A. Roberts, Joseph Wheelock and William Bernard.

"A Man of Honor" will be continued for the present at the American Theatre. T. Henry French has decided to send the play on the road after the

A new dance will be introduced in "The Girl from Paris" at the Herald Square Theatre to-morrow evening. The fiftieth performance will be reached on January 18, and for that occasion souvenirs are already promised.

"My Friend from India" will last for only one more week at Hoyt's Thearte, and it will then leave New-York without loss of prosperity, making way for Mr. Hoyt's "A Contented Woman."

The Cinematographe is popular at the Eden Musee. One of the latest and most interesting views is that of Li Hung Chang's march into Fifth-



ave., from Washington Square. Li Hung Chang can be readily recognized, as can many of the on-cials who accompanied him.

Charles H. Hoyt's "A Texas Steer" will be placed upon the stage of the Murray Hill Theatre this week, returning to New-York for the first time in a considerable period. William C. Mandeville will appear as Maverick Brander, and Miss Stella-Kenna will be "Bossy."

Tormorrow "The Cherry Pickers" enters on the fourth month of its run at the Fourteenth Street Theatre. Mr. Ofcott's opening in his new play,
"Sweet Inniscarra." is set down for January 25.
On January 23, the last performance of the
"Cherry Pickers" in this city for the present season will be given, after which it will be presented
in several of the large cities of the country.

W. M. Wilkison is preparing for the production of Edwin Milton Royle's new drama, "Captain Impudence," which is to be made known at the American Theatre on January 4.

FOREIGN THEATRICAL NOTES.

"Lorenzaccio," by Alfred de Muscet, which is now at the Theatre de la Renaissance, with Sarah Bernhardt in the leading part, has an interesting history which has not, until the present month, been pub-lished. M. De Musset was twenty-four years old when he wrote "Lorenzaccio." It was while he was in Italy. He arrived in Florence in August, 1834, and there, while in search of themes for stories that should revivify an almost forgotten past, he came of the sixteenth century. It contained the history, with all details, of the trastic end of Alexandro di Medici, the tyrant, assassinated by his cousia Lorenso. From this chronicle De Musset drew "Lorenzaccio." Alexandro Dumas employed the same tragic story in his "Lorenzino," produced without success in Paris in 1842. upon a manuscript written by Varchi, the chronicler

The Italian papers are predicting a failure for Eleonora Duse when she appears in Paris next spring, not because she will not be worthy, but because her strause sine will not be worthy, but be-cause her simplifity will suffer beside the theatri-cal performances of Bernhardt. The Italians fear, too, the Bernhardt clique, the comic papers and the Bernhardt crities. Mme. Duse will make her Paris-ian début in "Fédora," which her friends think an unfortunate selection.

Max Nordau's "The Right to Love," which is now playing in Rome, is deemed too moralizing for the Eternal City. It is highly treated by the critics, who, in spite of the preachings of Professor Lombroso and his much-printel comments on the play, decline to consider art and morality when presented in the same theme.

The name of M. Got, the veteran French actor, has been added to the list of artists who are about to bring out books of memoirs. His is to be entitle "Journal d'un Comédien."

Two German adaptations of Colonel Richard Henry Savage's novel, "My Official Wife," are on the stage in Vienna at present. One is by Hermana Jesnitzer, and the other by Hans Olden, the latter being that which was presented at the Irving Place Theatre in this city early in the winter.